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GE Spokane Shop Site Visit

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A site visit to the GE Spokane Shop in Spokane, Washington was done on December 20, 1989 by myself, Frank Westrum of the Wash. State Health Dept. and Brad Ewy from the Wash. State Dept. of Ecology. We were met at the site by Robert Pancoast of Golder Associates Inc. the General Electric consultant for this site. The purpose of the site visit was to evaluate any corrective measures done to address concerns voiced by ATSDR after our first site visit on March 7, 1989.

The open and unmarked barrels that were once outside the building have been removed. There are none outside anymore. Inside the building all barrels are segregated into one corner and are sealed and labeled with their contents (mostly soil cuttings). The inside of the building seemed to be relatively neat. The open tank still sits inside because it will be used during remediation. It is still empty. I don't believe it poses a significant physical hazard.

The dirt road running throughout the facility has been completely paved.

The rear fence along the railroad tracks has been secured. The fence was locked with a pad lock. The hole beneath the fence next to the gate has been completely filled in with gravel.

The leaking drums stockpiled in the back of the north warehouse are still there. No attempt has been made to address them by the owner. Brad has talked with him on several occasions with no apparent success at resolving this issue. Brad suggested that some type of enforcement action may be necessary. They still have not identified conclusively the contents of these barrels.

It appears that the majority of the concerns noted during the first site visit have been addressed. Brad will continue to work on the problem of the leaking drums. Since GE does not own them they are not responsible for the problem. Apparently the gentleman who does own them is difficult to deal



with. I will advise you of any further information as it becomes available.

Sincerely,

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